

Shelby County Government

A C Wharton, Jr. *Mayor*

September 8, 2008

The Honorable Deidre Malone Chairman, Shelby County Board of Commissioners 160 N. Main, Suite 450 Memphis, TN 38103

Dear Chairman Malone:

Pursuant to the rules and regulations governing the Memphis and Shelby County Film and Television Commission, I hereby nominate Jane Ashley Folk, Mary Harvey Gurley and Linda White for appointment. Terms of Service shall begin upon Commission approval and will expire as listed below:

Appointment:		<u>Expiration</u>
Jane Ashley Folk	(replacing Jerold Klein)	7/20/2011
Mary Harvey Gurley		7/20/2011
Linda White	(replacing Richard Ranta)	7/20/2010

For your use, biographical information is attached and approval of the Board of Commissioners will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

A C Wharton,

Mayor

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Enclosure

SUMMARY

I. Description of Item

This resolution appoints three new members to the Memphis and Shelby County Film and Television Commission.

II. Source and Amount of Funding

III. Contract Items

- A. Type of Contract N/A
- B. Terms N/A

IV. Additional Information Relevant to Approval of this Item

Members of the Memphis and Shelby County Film and Television Commission are appointed for terms of three (3) years each. This is the first term for Jane Ashley Folk, Mary Harvey Gurley, and Linda White. Ms. Folk and Ms. White are replacing members who are term limited. Ms. Gurley is filling a term that has expired, but has not been filled until now.

ITEM#	PREPARED BY:	Lois Riseling

APPROVED BY: Christy L. Kinard

Assistant County Attorney

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE COUNTY MAYOR'S NOMINATION OF JANE ASHLEY FOLK, MARY HARVEY GURLEY AND LINDA WHITE FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE MEMPHIS AND SHELBY COUNTY FILM AND TELEVISION COMMISSION. SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER JOE FORD.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the rules and regulations governing the members of the Memphis and Shelby County Film and Television Commission, in written correspondence to the Chairman of the Shelby County Board of Commissioners dated September 4, 2008, the County Mayor nominated Jane Ashley Folk, Mary Harvey Gurley, and Linda White for appointment to the board; and

WHEREAS, The ratification and approval by the Shelby County Board of Commissioners is required; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Memphis and Shelby County Film and Television Commission are appointed for a term of three (3) years upon approval by the Shelby County Board of Commissioners or until the appointment of their successors; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinance No. 343, adopted by the Shelby County Board of Commissioners on August 27, 2007, Jerold Klein is term limited as of the expiration of the last term to which he was appointed, which expired on July 20, 2005, and is serving until his successor could be appointed; and

WHEREAS, Jane Ashley Folk shall be appointed to fill the term that Jerold Klein has been holding until his successor could be appointed and said term will expire on July 20, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Mary Harvey Gurley shall be appointed to fill a term that has expired, but has not been filled until now. The term of service will begin upon Commission approval and will expire on July 20, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinance No. 343, adopted by the Shelby County Board of Commissioners on August 27, 2007, Richard Ranta is term limited as of the expiration of the last term to which he was appointed, which expired on July 20, 2007, and is serving until his successor could be appointed; and

WHEREAS, Linda White shall be appointed to fill the term that Richard Ranta has been holding until his successor could be appointed and said term will expire on July 20, 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE That the appointment of Jane Ashley Folk, Mary Harvey Gurley, and Linda White to the Memphis and Shelby County Film and Television Commission for the terms listed above are with this Resolution hereby approved by the Shelby County Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall take effect from and after the date it shall have been enacted according to due process of law, the public welfare requiring it.

	A C Wharton, Jr., County Mayor
	Date:
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	Clerk, County Commission
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Memphis & Shelby County Film TV Commission

NOTICE TO ALL PROSPECTIVE APPOINTEES TO SHELBY COUNTY BOARDS, AUTHORITIES OR COMMISSIONS

Pursuant to Resolution #26 adopted July 26, 1993, as amended, each person who submits his or her name for nomination to serve on a board, authority, or commission subject to approval by the Shelby County Board of Commissioners shall submit a list of ell private county, eoclal, ethletic or professional clubs of which that person is a member. In the event it is determined that any such clubs are disciminatory in choosing their members on the basis of race, sex, or religion, the Shelby County Board of Commissioners may use this information in voting to reject the nominee.

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Pursuant to the aforementioned Resolution you are hereby required to list all private country, social, athletic or professional clubs of which you belong.

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Do any of the aforementioned clubs of which you belong discriminate in selecting members based on race, sex, or religion?

Circle Below: Yes No

Submitted:

Jane Barret Asl

(Print Name)

Signature:

Date:

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Jane Ashley Folk 50 Cherry Road Memphis, TN 38117 901-761-3816 janefolk@comcast.net

Jane Folk is an independent documentary film writer and producer whose creative focus has been directed at various social and cultural issues. A long time resident of Memphis, Jane's first documentary effort *Pork Chop Day* was selected for the 2007 Nashville Film Festival as well as the 2007 Indie Memphis Film Festival. This film which was produced in collaboration with the YWCA of Greater Memphis and SOAR, Survivors of Abusive Relationships, tells the gripping story of Debbie Knapp who was imprisoned 21 years for murdering her abusive husband and who later became the first woman in Tennessee paroled from a life sentence for killing her abuser. The documentary is currently scheduled to be an integral part of an ongoing regional and national educational program to raise awareness and to promote prevention of spousal abuse. Jane's current projects reflect her driving passion to use film to speak to injustices in society.

In addition to *Pork Chop Day*, Jane has worked on a number of other projects including serving as assistant producer for an upcoming documentary on infant mortality produced in association with Professors David Appleby and Craig Leake and the University of Memphis. Jane has also served as producer/photographer/writer for various video projects for Memphis Theological Seminary. These latter projects include *Return Beat: Syncopating Theology and the Arts Institute* which promotes the seminary's art and theology institute and the *Honoring the Hands of Hope* video production aired in conjunction with the 2008 Henry Logan Starks Scholarship Dinner which honors the contributions of African American alumni and other Memphis community leaders.

Jane Folk holds a Bachelors of Arts degree in Art History from the University of Georgia; a Masters of Business Administration degree from the University of Memphis and is a May, 2008 candidate for a Masters of Arts degree in Religion from Memphis Theological Seminary. In addition, she has studied at Duke University's Center for Documentary Studies and has been engaged in independent study projects with the film department at the University of Memphis.

Jane is a member of the Board of Directors of the YWCA of Greater Memphis and has been an active volunteer with various groups involved in addressing issues of social justice in the Memphis community, including Manna House, which addresses the needs of the homeless. She is a former member of the Board of Directors of the Memphis Alcohol and Drug Council. Jane is a volunteer for On Location: Memphis International Film Fest 2008 and is an ordained elder at Idlewild Presbyterian Church.

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Memphis Shelby County Film Board Commission	Commissian	Division	of County Government
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Business Name: Feder			
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E-mail mourley of	Edex. com	Faxc	901 624 7088
Education: Bachebr of	Journalism, 1	University o	F Missouri
Name of Spouse: Paul Gurley	(deceased)	Number of Children:	
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Do any of the aforementioned clubs of which you belong discriminate in selecting members based on race, sex, or religion?

> Circle Below: Yes No

Submitted:

Signature:

Date:

MARY HARVEY GURLEY

OVERVIEW

Visionary leader with proven history of effective corporate communication design, program management, planning, execution of complex projects, and project measurement. Additional capabilities in:

- Proven leadership in developing people, projects and departments
- Strategic Planning
- Cross-functional Team Development
- Corporate Communications and Change Management
- Internet Based Projects
- Research Development and Analysis

1996 - 1998

Senior Communications Representative for ITD and Customer Service

CAREER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

2005- Current

Manager Local Outreach and Event Management

- Designed and developed a new organization, Local Market and Event Management. Currently manage a staff of 8 communication professionals, multiple agencies and a budget in excess of \$3 million.
- Developed a local market program designed to improve the reputation of FedEx globally. The program was launched in six key markets.
- Designed and implemented the FedEx Leadership Speaking program to place FedEx speakers in key venues globally. More than 65 FedEx speakers were placed in 2007.
- Facilitated the design of a Global Events team to better support key corporate objectives. Key projects successfully
 implemented by this team include Trees for Troops program, Habitat for Humanity, NASCAR, First Tee/FedEx
 Cup, Dress for Success and NFL.
- Developed collaborative, cross-functional programs with media, community relations, marketing, government affairs and sales.
- Responsible for the annual Customer Summit, Investor Relations event and introduction of the Access thought leadership platform.

1998- Senior Communications Representative for ITD and Customer Service

- Developed the first employee communication program for ITD, including an intranet home page for employee communications; KITD, the first intranet radio broadcast in corporate America used for employee communications; ITD Annual Employee Briefings, and management face-to-face communications.
- Year 2000 (Y2K) Program Management Office
- Managed events and face-to-face communication programs for Customer Service.

1991 - 1998

Editor and Senior Marketing Representative

- Redesigned FedEx World Update from newspaper format to magazine format. This four-color, 48-page magazine was
 published in seven languages. Managed all areas of the magazine, including concept, writing, editing, production staff
 management, translation and fulfillment.
- Editor of *This Week*, FedEx's weekly publication. Developed and introduced the redesign of the weekly publication and oversaw its placement on the FedEx intranet.
- Responsible for communications of the new corporate branding and uniform program.
- Responsible for production of FedEx Officers and Directors meeting, including speech writing, video production and speaker support.
- Responsible for employee communications and logistics for the following Sports Marketing events; 1988 FedEx Olympic Sponsorship, the first FedEx St. Jude Classic and the first FedEx Orange Bowl.

1989-1991

Senior Communications Representative Human Resources

- Developed communication programs for Pay and Benefit Communications, including the "Package Deal" promotion.
- Developed marketing programs for Pay and Benefits during the period of time many benefit programs were converting to managed care.

1983-1989

Communications Representative for Flight Operations, International Division, Ground Operations, and the Eastern and Western Regions

- Edited Straight in Approach for the Flight Division of FedEx.
- Developed FedEx's first international, multilingual, employee communication program.
- Communications lead for the purchases of Gelco, Cansica and Flying Tigers.
- Developed the first translated employee communications.
- Developed communication programs for the Eastern and Western regions of Ground Operations.

1981-1983

FedEx Government Affairs and Political Action Committee

- Conducted the first fundraising drive for FEPAC.
- Developed FEPAC's first annual report.
- Served as FedEx government affairs specialist for two legislative sessions.

1980-1981

National Bank of Commerce, Memphis TN

- Marketing Coordinator.
- Editor of NBC company magazine.

1979-1980

Political Campaign Management

- Republican Congressional Campaign Manager, Atlanta, GA.
- Howard Baker for President Committee, Washington D.C. Advance Logistics Team.
- · Management of numerous Memphis-area political campaigns

EDUCATION

University of Missouri University of Memphis Christian Brothers University Bachelor of Journalism, 1979 Web development and HTML Computer Science Studies

MARY HARVEY GURLEY

BEYOND THE FEDEX RESUME...

- Producer of film documentary, "Losing My Fat Suit."
- · Cooking instructor with emphasis in entertaining, Italian cooking, herbal cooking and grilling
- Gardening instructor with emphasis in herbs, roses and perennials
- Author of Homemade Christmas cookbook published by Wimmer Publishing
- Published author of numerous magazine and newspaper articles
- Author of two screenplays
- Ongoing study of music and vocal performance
- Political campaign management
- Photography
- Former Board Member of the Memphis Junior League

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Name: Linda W	hite		
Date of Birth ivovemb			an American M F X
Business Name:	LeMoyne-Owen College		
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Home Address: 8	70 East Williams Avenue		Phone: 901 774-8667
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in selecting	o any of the aforementioned clubs of which you belong discriminate members based on race, sex, or religion?
C	ircle Below:
	Yes No
Submitted:	Linda White
	(Print Name)
Signature:	= CA
Date:	July 9, 2008

Linda M. White 870 East Williams Avenue Memphis, TN 38126 (901) 774-8667, (901) 679-3055 Linda_white@loc.edu, Lwhite99@comcast.net

Curriculum Vita

Education

Howard University, Washington, District of Columbia English (African American Literature) May 2003 Doctor of Philosophy

University of Memphis, Memphis, Tennessee English (Creative Writing) August 1992 Master of Arts

University of Memphis, Memphis, Tennessee Theatre/English (Double Major) May 1990 Buchelor of Arts

Experience

Present 07/03	LeMoyne-Owen College, Memphis, Tennessee; Fine Arts and Humanities Division Position: Chair
Present 05/04	LeMoyne-Owen College, Memphis, Tennessee; Fine Arts and Humanities Division Position: Tenured Associate Professor of English
05/04 05/03	LeMoyne-Owen College, Memphis, Tennessee; Fine Arts and Humanities Division Position: Assistant Professor of English
Present 09/00	Southwest Tennessee Community College, Memphis, Tennessee; English Department Position: Adjunct Instructor
05/03 08/99	LeMoyne-Owen College, Memphis, Tennessee; Fine Arts and Humanities Division Position: Instructor of English
12/98 08/98	Howard University, Washington, District of Columbia; English Department Position: Adjunct Instructor
12/98 09/97	George Washington University, Washington, District of Columbia; English Department Position: Adjunct Instructor
05/99 09/96	Howard University, Washington, District of Columbia; Graduate School Position: Editorial Assistant
05/96 08/95	LeMoyne-Owen College, Memphis, Tennessee; Fine Arts and Humanities Division Position: Instructor of English
12/94 09/93	University of Memphis, Memphis, Tennessee; English Department Position: Adjunct Instructor

08/99 09/92	State Technical Institute at Memphis, Memphis, Tennessee; English Department Position; Adjunct Instructor			
Papers Read at Professional Conferences				
February 1995	"Correlation of Revelation with Science Fiction," at the ninetieth Annual meeting of the Tennessee Philological Society			
August 1995	"Rebuilding Identity," at the conference on African-American culture titled "From Money, MS to Union, SC"			
April 1997	"The Making of the Self-Reliant Black Man: Developing the Childhood Motif in John Mercer Langston's Autobiography," at the 1997 Graduate Research Symposium, Howard University			
April 1997	"Equiano's Identity Through Memory: Rebuilding Identity Within Black America," at the first annual Morgan State University conference on Black Creativity and the State of the Race, titled "Writers of African Decent Speak!"			
June 1997	"Oh, the Irony of It: Analysis of African American Heteroglossia in Robert Hayden's 'Elegies for Paradise Valley'," at the Morgan State University conference on Zora Neale Hurston, titled "Tapping the Laughing Barrel"			
Aprll 1998	"Creative License and Anonymity in the Science Fiction Writings of Octavia E. Butler," at the 1998 Graduate Research Symposium, Howard University			
April 1998	"The Broken Promise: The Cause and Effect of Recollection in David Walker's Appeal," the second annual Morgan State University conference on Black Creativity and the State of the Race, titled "Writers of African Decent Speak!"			
November 2001	"Rearranging Cognitive Learning by Adjusting the Ever-Present Student Mindset," at the HBCU Faculty Development Conference			
April 2002	"Keeping it Real?: The Impact of the Past on the Construction of a Human Self in Octavia E. Butler's Patternist Series," at the 61st Annual College Language Association			
April 2003	"The Immortals: Two Perspectives of the Black Male in Works by Octavia E. Butler and Tananarive Due," at the 64 th Annual College Language Association			
November 2004	"Dual Affects of Slavery on American Culture in Octavia E. Butler's Kindred," at the 10 th International American Women Writers of Color Conference			
April 2005	"Naming and the Presence of Absence as a Means for Activism in Alice Childress's Florence," at the 69th Annual National Association of Dramatic and Speech Arts Conference			

Publications

- "Equiano's Identity Through Memory: Rebuilding Identity Within Black America," Writers of African

 Descent Speak: Black Creativity and the State of the Race—Leadership, Culture and Racism.

 Eds. Rose Ure Mezu and Burney J. Hollis. Randallstown: Black Academy Press, 1998.
- "Sarah Elizabeth Wright." Contemporary African American Novelists: A Bio-Bibliographical Critical Sourcebook. Ed. Emmanuel S. Nelson. Westport: Greenwood Press, 1999.

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Further Scholarship

Dissertation Title: An Analysis of Narrative Form and Human Ontology in Octavia E. Butler's Patternist, Xenogenesis, and Parable Series

Promotions

2004 Promoted to Associate Professor in English

2004 Tenure

Committees

Convener: Faculty and Instructional Development Committee

Convener: Search Committee for Instructor of Religion and Philosophy

Convener: Search Committee for Instructor of Spanish

Member: Search Committee for Vice-President of Academic and Student Affairs

Convener: Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Music

Convener: Search Committee for Instructor of Music Convener: Search Committee for Instructor of English

Convener: Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Music

Conferences

Member: LeMoyne-Owen College Host Committee for the 62nd Annual College Language Association

Conference (2002)

Chair: LeMoyne-Owen College Host Committee for the 69th Annual National Association of Dramatic

and Speech Arts Conference (2005)

Grants

2001-Present	Director of Faculty Development/Teaching and Learning Community
2000-Present	Director of the Title III for Faculty and Staff Development
2002-Present	Director of the Title III for Curriculum Enhancement
2000-2002	Director of the Lilly Endowment for Faculty Development

Dramatic Performances

Advisor: The Contemporary Griots: LOC Drama Club

Conferences and Festivals

Summer 2003 Attended the National Black Theatre Festival

Spring 2004 Attended the National Association of Dramatic and Speech Arts Conference

Summer 2005 Participated in performance at the National Black Theatre Festival

Performances

Alice Childress's Florence
Wrote and Directed Bonding Vonya
Bonding Vonya special presentation for high school students
Wrote and Directed Adaptation of Zora Neale Hurston's "Sweat"
Wrote and Directed Remnants of the Middle Passage
Wrote and Directed Reader's Theatre Piece: Movin' Shakin' Bakin'
Wrote and Directed A Day in the Life of Deven Miller

Professional Memberships

Modern Language Association National Association of Dramatic and Speech Arts, Inc. College Language Association
International Association of Women Writers of Color

Positions Held

Executive Board Member: Publicity Director, National Association of Dramatic and Speech Arts, Inc. Board Member: Voices of the South Theatre Company
Vice President: LeMoyne-Owen College Faculty Organization